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Laksha Vruksha

CM launches tree planting programme to increase green cover in Mysuru

CM Siddaramaiah, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Forest Minister Eshwar Khandre and District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa watering a sapling to inaugurate the 'Laksha Vruksha' at a function held at KSOU Convocation Hall in city this morning as Congress leader H.V. Rajeev, MLA Tanveer Sait and Animal Husbandry Minister K. Venkatesh look on.

Mysuru, June 15 (BLU&BS)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has given a call to the people to take active part in maintaining green cover, especially in the wake of recent sweltering heat, under which the people of the country had to reel in for months.

He was speaking after inaugurating 'Laksha Vruksha Yojane,' organised by H.V. Rajeev Sneha Balaga and Shri Kshethra Dharmasthala Rural Development Project (SKDRDP) B.C. Trust, at KSOU Convocation Hall in city this morning.

"Mysuru is known as a Pensioner's Paradise and Bengaluru as Garden City, but the excess heat this time posed a greater challenge to the sobriquets, with maximum temperature exceeding 40 degree Celsius. Similar was my experience, when I had been to Delhi and was fretted to step out of the room. This drastic change in weather pattern calls for the participation of every individual in plantation drives, to maintain a fine balance with afforestation and growing population rate," he said

(See VRUKSHA on page 9)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 15th June 2024

'Swaralaya' cultural festival in city tomorrow

Mysuru, June 15 (GA&TRR)- Swaralaya Sangeetha Samsthe, Mysuru, is organising 'Swaralaya,' a cultural festival in association with Department of Kannada and Culture at Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar on June 16 at 4 pm.

This was disclosed by Swaralaya Founder Suma Harinath at a press conference held at Pathrakarthara Bhavan in the city on June 13. The programme will be inaugurated by music teacher Shashikala Chandrashekar.

Amma Ramachandra will present a folk songs programme while Bharatanatyam dance will be presented by Spandana and Sneha.

Music teacher Bhagyalakshmi will participate as the chief guest, said Suma Harinath and appealed the public to attend the function in large numbers.

Swaralaya Vice-President Jayashree Tolpadi, Secretary H.S. Srikantaamani, Treasurer Subha Ganesh and Legal Advisor K.V. Vasu were present.

Export Management training programme from June 24

Mysuru, June 15- Bengaluru's Visvesvaraya Trade Promotion Centre (VTPC), in association with District Industries Centre, Mysuru, will be organising a 6-day Export Management Training programme for industrialists, entrepreneurs and businessmen from June 24 to 29 at The President Hotel on B.N. Road in the heart of the city.

The programme will focus on international trade, foreign policies regarding export business, valuing and pricing of export products, demand and markets, rules regarding taxes and duties, export insurance coverage, institutional help etc.

The interested industrialists, businessmen and entrepreneurs can register themselves at the Office of the Deputy Director, VTPC, Mysuru. For details, contact Mob: 94818-15035 or e-mail: *vtpcmysore@gmail.com*.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

SERVE GURU, ATTAIN MOKSHA: ***Four aspects of our life are pre-programmed based on our deeds in our previous*** *janma.* ***These are owning land, finding a spouse, health and lastly, a guru. Even saints are not exempt from this. Why is it important to have a guru and serve him? Being devout and serving Him with dedication is not enough to attain*** *mukti* ***(freedom from rebirth). That ultimate goal is achievable only through a guru, said P. Swaminathan in a discourse.***

Tirukkachi Nambi, the venerated Vaishnavite saint, is a case in point. As one of the four sons of a merchant, he spent his share of inheritance in creating a flower garden at a place that is now known as Poonnamallee. Every day, he carried the fresh flowers from the nandavanam to the presiding deity of Varadaraja Perumal temple in Kancheepuram. He also found that the deity appeared to be sweating and informed the priests, who were not blessed to share his experience. Perumal informed Nambi that only he could see him in such a state. Nambi immediately sought and gained permission to fan the deity daily. The two also fell into the habit of conversing with each other. The legend of Nambi grew and an ordinary peasant fell at Nambi's feet, declared him as his guru and asked him to find out if God would offer him *mukti* ***in his conversations with Perumal. Without hesitation, Perumal said the peasant would be at His feet in*** *Vaikuntam,* ***since he had found a guru.*** *— In The Hindu*

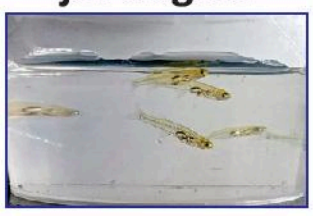
NEWS SPARKLERS

'Power Washer' uses driveways as canvases

Texas: Sam Ward, a self-taught artist who specialises in creating ephemeral artworks on concrete using a power washer, has been nicknamed 'Power Washer Van Gogh'.

Sam Ward's artistic career was inspired by boredom. During the COVID-19 lockdowns, the Texas artist bought a box of chalk to keep his two sons busy, but before they could use it to decorate the family driveway in New Braunfels, he had to clean the concrete. It turned out to be a very boring, redundant task, so at one point, Ward started using his power washer to draw some shapes on the concrete. At first, it was just circles and squares, but he quickly realized the artistic potential of the pressure washer, so the next day, when he picked up the tool and his wife asked him if he wanted to finish washing the driveway, he said: "No, I'm gonna draw something." And the rest, as they say, is history.

This fish is as loud as a jet engine



New York: Danionella cerebrum, a translucent fish only 12mm in size can produce sounds exceeding 140 dB, comparable to the sound perceived by a person standing 100 m from a passenger jet during take-off.

Danionella cerebrum fish was officially recognized in 2021 after scientists discovered subtle physical differences between it and Danionella translucida. The two species are so small – about the size of a human fingernail – and so similar that the differences between them could only be identified under a microscope. Recently, a team of researchers also discovered that Danionella cerebrum also puts it up on the list of the loudest animals in the world. This tiny translucent fish uses a combination of sonic muscles and drumming cartilage to produce sounds as loud as a gunshot.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Invest in a reliable broad-spectrum sunscreen of SPF 30 or SPF 50 to shield your skin from harsh UVA and UVB rays. This can prevent tanning, skin burns, and photodamage to a great extent.

By Dr. Ravi S. – Consultant - Dermatology & Cosmetologist, Manipal Hospital, Mysore

manipalhospitals LIFE'S ON

****Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

No power supply in rural areas on June 16

Mysuru, June 15- As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up its 1st quarterly maintenance works at T. Narasipur, Muguru and Tayur Power Distribution Centres, there will be no power supply on June 16 from 10 am to 5 pm in the following villages:

T. Narasipur Power Distribution Centre: T. Narasipur Town, Kiragasur, T. Doddapura, Hemmige, Benakanahalli, Muthalawadi, Sosale villages and Gram Panchayat (GP) limits.

Muguru Power Distribution Centre: Muguru, Kothegala, Alagudu, Vatalu, Mugur Mole, Kothawadi and GP limits.

Tayur Power Distribution Centre: Tayur (lift irrigation), Eshwaragowdanahalli, Vaddarahundi, Beerihundi, Kottarayanahundi, Gejjaganahalli, Kahalli and Kalkunda.

Karya Power Distribution Centre: Hadya, Kahalli, Kamahalli, Karya Aralikattehundi, Baanuru, Chinnamballi, Hanumanapura, Kakkaharahatti, Bhogayyanahundi and GP limits.

Hemmaragala Power Distribution Centre: Hemmaragala, Nerale, Hedatale villages and Gram Panchayat limits, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineer, Nanjangud Division.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284.00 feet**	Maximum **2,859.00 feet**
Today's level **86.50 feet**	Today's level **2,263.61 feet**	Today's level **2,827.63 feet**
Last year's level **80.69 feet**	Last year's level **2,250.00 feet**	Last year's level **2,818.89 feet**
Yesterday's level **86.20 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,263.38 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,827.32 feet**
Today's Inflow **2,426 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **1,530 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **408 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **456 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **300 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Eagles are apex avian predators, which means that they're at the top of a food chain. They're also almost all carnivores, which means they mainly eat meat. The African Vulturine Fish-Eagle, however, survives mostly on oil palm fruits.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

An elderly man was serious, was admitted to the hospital and a telegram was sent to his wife: *"Your husband is serious. Start immediately."*

A reply telegram received read: *"He was never serious about anything in his life. Once in a way, let him be serious!"*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 83.55**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 105.77**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 22.75**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 89.54**

VOICE OF THE READER

Menace of street dogs: Urgent action required

Sir,

I am writing to bring to your urgent attention a harrowing incident that occurred on June 14, 2024, at approximately 8 pm.

While traversing Siddalingeshwara Layout 1st Stage, 31st Main Road, near DG Kennel, my elderly mother and I were attacked by an aggressive street dog. To our horror, we were subsequently chased by a pet dog that was not properly restrained.

Given the dangerous nature of the situation, we attempted to accelerate on our two-wheeler to avoid being bitten by the dog.

In the process, our vehicle hit a speed bump, causing my elderly mother to fall onto the road. She sustained severe injuries to her hips, ankle, head and spine.

The nearby locals rushed to assist us and we immediately transported her to GC Sports Hospital, where she is currently undergoing treatment.

This traumatic experience has left us deeply shaken and outraged. The lack of action to manage the street dog menace and ensure that pet owners comply with safety regulations is appalling.

The negligence exhibited by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) authorities is unacceptable and it puts the lives of the residents at constant risk.

Repetitive calls to the animal control number provided by MCC have gone unanswered, further highlighting the failure of the system to protect its citizens.

I demand immediate and stringent action to address this grave issue. Specifically, I urge the MCC Commissioner, the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner and our newly elected MP to intervene without delay.

I expect a prompt and decisive response to this letter, including a detailed action plan to eradicate this public safety threat. The residents of this area deserve to feel secure in their community.

—Dr. Venkat Raghu

JP Nagar II Stage
14.6.2024

Student scholarship and unemployment allowance

Mysuru, June 15- The Scheduled Tribes (ST) Welfare Department has invited applications from students belonging to Jenukuruba tribe who are studying in classes 10th standard and above for availing student scholarship or unemployment allowance.

The candidates who have availed unemployment allowance for three previous years are not eligible to apply. The prescribed application forms can be obtained from the Department Office located in Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram Bhavan, Narayanaswamy Block, Paduvarahalli (Vinayakanagar) or from the Taluk Offices of ST Welfare or Social Welfare Departments in the district.

The filled in application forms along with all supporting documents must be submitted by the end of September.

For details, contact Mysuru Office on Ph: 0821-2427140 or 2543076, Periyapatna - 08223 - 273128, K.R. Nagar - 08223 - 264049, H.D. Kote - 08228 - 255681, Hunsur - 08222 - 252812, T. Narasipur - 08227- 260230, Nanjangud - 08221 - 297293, according to a press release.

Dr. M.S. Ranganath elected as President of NIE Society

Dr. Ranganath President | *Er. Niranjan Vice-President* | *Er. Uday Shankar Hon. Secretary* | *Er. Sathyakumar Hon. Treasurer*

Mysuru, June 15- The election of Directors for the Managing Committee of NIE Society was held on June 9 at National Institute of Engineering (NIE) Administrative Block in city.

The term of the new Managing Committee will be for a period of five years from June 2024 to June 2029.

Dr. M.S. Ranganath - President, Er. Niranjan Simha - Vice-President, Er. S.B. Uday Shankar - Hon. Secretary, Er. N. Sathyakumar - Hon.Treasurer; Er. Srinath Batni, Er. R.S. Rajkumar, Er. H.S. Deepak, Dr. M.K. Nagaraj, Er. M.S. Ramprasad and Er. Srikanth Nadhamuni — all Directors.

Orientation Programme

Mysuru, June 15- An Orientation Programme was held on June 13 at Sharada Vidya Mandir, Sri Jayachamarajendra PU College, Mysuru. M.A. Jayashree, Trustee, SJET, was the guest of honour. C. Sagar Chakravathy, Principal, briefed about the College code of conduct.

The objective of the programme was to make the students aware of the academic aspects of the course, rules, regulations and ensuring student participation in the progress of their academic as well as co-curricular activities.

Teaching, non-teaching staff and students were present on the occasion.

NEWS BRIEFS

Cultural Fest

Swaralaya Sangeetha Samsthe, Mysuru, in association with Kannada and Culture Department, Bengaluru, will be conducting 'Swaralaya Samskrutika Habba-2024' at Ganabharathi (Veene Sheshanna Bhavan) on Adichunchanagiri Road in Kuvempunagar at 4 pm tomorrow (June 16). Vidushi Shashikala Chandrashekar will inaugurate the event. For details, contact Mob: 99869-61772 or 98800-04929.

Ph.D awardee

K.N. Arunkumar has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by University of Mysore (UoM), Mysuru, for his thesis 'Kendra Sahitya Academy Puraskrutha Kannada Samajika Kadambarigalu.' [Guide: Dr. Akkamahadevi]

ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP WEST INDIES & USA 2024

TODAY'S MATCHES (JUNE 15)

India Vs **Canada**
Central Broward Park & Broward County Stadium, Lauderhill, Florida — **8 pm**

Namibia Vs **England**
Sir Vivian Richards Stadium, Antigua — **10.30 pm**

TOMORROW'S MATCHES (JUNE 16)

Australia Vs **Scotland**
Daren Sammy National Stadium, St. Lucia — **6 am**

Pakistan Vs **Ireland**
Central Broward Park & Broward County Stadium, Lauderhill, Florida — **8 pm**

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS (JUNE 14)

Oman - 47 (13.2 overs)
LOST TO
England - 50/2 (3.1 overs)

Papua New Guinea - 95 (19.5 overs)
LOST TO
Afghanistan - 101/3 (15.1 overs)

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261 Police Inspectors transferred

Mysuru, June 15 (KS)- The State Government has transferred a total of 261 Police Inspectors (Civil), who were earlier transferred following announcement of Lok Sabha election.

Those among the 261 Inspectors, who have been transferred are: Kumar from Pandavapura Police Station, Mandya, to Jayalakshmipuram PS, Mysuru; H.N. Vinay from Jayalakshmipuram to the place yet to be decided; M.R. Lava from CESC Vigilance Squad in Chamarajanagar district to VV Puram Traffic Police Station in Mysuru; A.T. Banu from VV Puram Traffic to Shanthigrama Circle in Hassan district; C.V. Ravi from Shanthigrama Circle in Hassan district to the place yet to be decided; N. Muniyappa from CEN Police Station, Mysuru, to Hunsur Rural; B. Chikkaraja Shetty from Hunsur Rural to Chamarajanagar Rural; B.S. Ravishankar from Chamarajanagar Rural to Lakshmipuram, Mysuru; M.L. Shekar from Lakshmipuram to Mysuru South; M. Muddumahadeva from Mysuru South to Somwarpet in Kodagu; C. Shivananja Shetty from Arasikere in Hassan to Mysuru Rural; C.A. Manjappa from Mysuru Rural to Kutta in Kodagu; M. Sunil Kumar from Kutta to Nanjangud Rural; K.K. Raghu from Nanjangud Rural to the place yet to be decided; Lakshmikanth Talawar from DSB Kodagu district to Narasimharaja in Mysuru; K.S. Niranjan from Narasimharaja to Nagamangala in Mandya; H.R. Vivekananda from Mandi Police Station in Mysuru to Pandavapura; K.R. Prasad from Maddur PS to Lashkar in Mysuru; A. Mohammed Saleem from Lashkar to Panambur in Mangaluru; S.D. Suresh Kumar from Holenarasipur in Hassan to Vijayanagar PS in Mysuru; B.R. Pradeep from Vijayanagar Police Station in Mysuru to Holenarasipur; Dhananjaya from ATS Bengaluru City to T. Narasipur; I.P. Medappa from T. Narasipur to DSB in Kodagu; G.N. Ramesh from Mysuru City Special Branch to the place yet to be decided and H.M. Kantharaju from DSB, Mysuru District, to the place yet to be decided.

Chandagalu suicide pact case

Nayakara Yuva Sene seeks probe by panel of High Court Judges

Mysuru, June 15 (GA&KS)- Rajya Nayakara Yuva Sene has demanded an investigation by a High Court Judges Committee into the suicide pact of a family from Chandagalu village in K.R. Nagar taluk.

The family consumed poison at Talabetta near Male Mahadeshwara Hills in Chamarajanagar district on June 8, resulting in the deaths of a man and his daughter.

The family members had entered into the suicide pact after a youth allegedly blackmailed them, threatening to leak private videos of the minor girl in the family.

Addressing a press conference at Pathrakartara Bhavan in the city on Wednesday, Sene's State President Devaraj T. Katur criticised political parties for using the case for political gain instead of seeking justice for the affected family. He demanded the State Government ensure justice for the bereaved family.

Devaraj pointed out the failure of the K.R. Nagar Taluk Administration to prevent such a heinous crime and urged the State Government to take the case seriously.

He called for a thorough investigation by a Committee of High Court Judges and the arrest of those involved in the case. He warned of protests by Nayaka community members and various organisations if these demands were not met.

Devaraj also flayed the negligent attitude of the K.R. Nagar Police for not accepting the family's complaint when they tried to lodge it, leading to their depression and subsequent suicide. He demanded that a case under the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes (Prevention of Atrocities) Act be filed against the suspended officers and that they be dismissed from their jobs.

He further demanded that the State Government provide Rs. 50 lakh compensation to the family members of the deceased.

Shivakumaraswamy, Udbur Somanna, Kaniyanahundi Siddu, Vajamangala Kumar and Nrupatunga were present at the press conference.

Destitute Colony residents demand basic amenities

Mysuru, June 15 (GA&VNS)- Dalit Sangharsha Smithi (DSS), Mysuru District Unit, held a protest in front of Mysuru Taluk Office here on Thursday demanding the authorities to provide basic amenities to residents of Destitute Colony in Hebbal.

Speaking on the occasion, State Organising Secretary K. Nanjappa Basavagudi said that the colony was located in survey number 151 belonging Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) where people are living in about 80 huts for the past 45 years.

"During 2009, the Karnataka Slum Development Board relocated about 34 families in Jnanaloka in B.M. Sri Nagar leaving out the rest of the families.

The Taluk Administration, which has taken up the survey works, has not informed the residents which has deprived the needy of their rights," he alleged.

On receiving the memorandum, Tahsildar Mahesh assured the protesters of visiting area in person to review the situation to help the residents of the colony.

DSS State Convenor Ningaraj Malladi, C. Mohan Kumar Chandrakumar, Kuppaswamy, Lokesh, Ramkumar, Mangalamma, Sarojamma and colony residents took part in the protest.

Unidentified men die in K.R. Hospital

Mysuru, June 15 (KS)- An unidentified man, who was found lying sick at the bus stand near Mellahalli Circle and admitted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru on June 12 at about 12 noon, has breathed his last at the hospital at about 3 pm the same day.

It is learnt that the deceased used to beg for a living and used to sleep in the bus stand near Mellahalli Circle in the night.

The deceased is aged between 60 and 65 years, oily red complexioned, round faced, normal built and was wearing a cream coloured T-shirt and black pant. He is said to have not eaten anything since three to four days when he was found.

Jurisdictional Varuna Police, who have registered a case, have urged the kith and kin of the deceased, if any, to contact Varuna Police Station on Ph: 0821-2594411.

Nanjangud: A 65-70 year old elderly unidentified man who, was found lying in an unconscious state in Nanjangud Rural Police Station limits on June 10 and was admitted to K.R. Hospital in Mysuru, died on June 13.

The unidentified man used to generally stay in front of a Mutt at Hebbe village in Nanjangud taluk for the past several days. But as he was found lying in an unconscious state on the evening of June 10, he was shifted to Mysuru's K.R. Hospital, where he breathed his last on June 13.

His body has been kept in the K.R. Hospital mortuary. The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact the Nanjangud Rural Police, according to a press release.

Youths meet watery grave at Srirangapatna

Srirangapatna, June 15 (KS)- Two youths, who ventured into Cauvery River near Nimishambha Temple in the town, met their watery graves on Thursday.

The deceased youths are Vishal (19), son of Yuvaraj and Rohan (18), son of Maanu Singh, residents of Chennai.

The youths, who had come to their grandmother's house, visited Nimishambha Temple along with their relatives, where they offered puja at the Temple.

The youths later entered Cauvery River for a swim and were caught in a whirlpool and drowned, according to Sub-Inspector Shivalinga Dalavai.

Fire and Emergency Services personnel were summoned to the spot, who fished out the bodies from the River and the Police shifted the bodies to the Government Hospital in the town for post-mortem.

Vishal and Rohan's mothers are sisters and it is learnt that they did not know swimming.

A case has been registered in this regard at Srirangapatna Town Police Station.

Betting: 49 persons arrested, Rs. 64,007 cash seized

Mysuru, June 15 (KS)- In separate cases, the City Crime Branch (CCB) Police, who raided gambling dens, where people were found indulged in placing betting during carom game, have arrested a total of 49 persons besides seizing a total of Rs. 64,007 stake money, 15 carom boards and other items.

Following information about betting while playing carom game, separate Police teams were formed which raided the gambling dens and arrested the gamblers.

A case has been registered at Udayagiri Police Station.

Call for additional Police Station at Udayagiri to curb rising crime

Mysuru, June 15 (SBD&VNS)- Congress Minority Cell Secretary Syed Faroq has urged the State Government to approve the establishment of an additional Police Station or sub-station within the Udayagiri limits, under the jurisdiction of the Mysuru City Police.

Faroq emphasised that managing law and order has become increasingly difficult in Udayagiri due to a growing population and increased criminal activities such as robbery and other crimes that disrupt peace and harmony.

"With shops, including late-night tea stalls in the Narasimharaja Constituency, becoming hubs for youth engaging in online gambling, the situation has worsened. Moreover, youths addicted to narcotic drugs are often involved in violent altercations, resulting in brutal attacks and even murders," he said.

"Some miscreants also cause trouble by parking their vehicles in front of residents' gates and houses, making it difficult for women and children to move around freely in the area," he added.

Urging immediate action from the Chief Minister, Home Minister, MLA and senior Police officers, Faroq mentioned that a memorandum has been submitted to the City Police Commissioner through the Jamiyat Ulma-e-Hind organisation.

Insufficient Hullahalli-Nanjangud KSRTC buses frustrate commuters

Nanjangud, June 15 (VNS)- Students and the general public travelling from Hullahalli to Nanjangud are facing significant challenges due to insufficient bus services. Hullahalli, one of the largest hoblis with a thriving business and commercial sector, has seen growing demand to be designated as a taluk headquarters.

Residents have expressed their frustration with the KSRTC for not providing enough buses for students and commuters heading to Nanjangud for school, college and work. They are often forced to wait for long hours at the bus stand.

Previously, buses were available as early as 5 am, but now they are not even accessible by 6.30 am. Buses that used to arrive every 15 minutes are now rarely seen, sometimes not appearing for over an hour.

The lack of public transport has allowed private transport operators to exploit the situation. Despite regulations requiring private vehicles to be parked 100 metres from the bus stand, these vehicles are often parked inside the bus stand, raising suspicions that KSRTC officials might be colluding with private transporters.

Speaking to the *Star of Mysore*, Girish and Devaraj, residents of Hullahalli and Kappasoge villages, expressed their dissatisfaction with the authorities for failing to provide adequate bus services to Nanjangud.

"The delay in bus arrivals is causing us to be late for work. Students are also struggling to reach their schools and colleges on time. When we raise these concerns, the Depot Manager offers us weak excuses," they said.

However, Depot Manager Thyagaraj denied allegations of insufficient bus services, claiming that buses to Nanjangud run every half-an-hour.

He assured that if there were issues, they would be addressed by deploying more buses.

Obituary

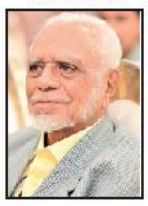
Maletira Debjani

Mysuru, June 15- Maletira Debjani (56), wife of Bopana and a resident of No. 1008, Brigade Horizon in Nazarbad here, passed away yesterday morning in city.

She leaves behind her husband, son Arnav, daughter Shefaali and a host of relatives and friends.

Mortal remains will be kept at Bopana's parents' house No. 348 B, 2nd Main in Gokulam 3rd Stage and last rites will be held at Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam at 12 noon tomorrow (June 16).

Asmath Pasha



Asmath Pasha (84), Karkun Jamath-e-Islami Hind, Mysuru, passed away today at a private hospital in city following brief illness. A resident of Rajivnagar, he is survived by his wife, 1 son, 5 daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Namaz-e-Janaza will be held today after Namaz-e-Asar at Masjid-e-Bilal in Udayagiri followed by burial at Muslim Burial Grounds near Tipu Circle.

J.N. Srikantamurthy

J.N. Srikantamurthy (74), a retired Police Inspector and a resident of Aravindnagar in city, passed away here yesterday.

He is the son of late Nanjundaiah of Jinnahalli in H.D. Kote taluk. He leaves behind three daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this morning.

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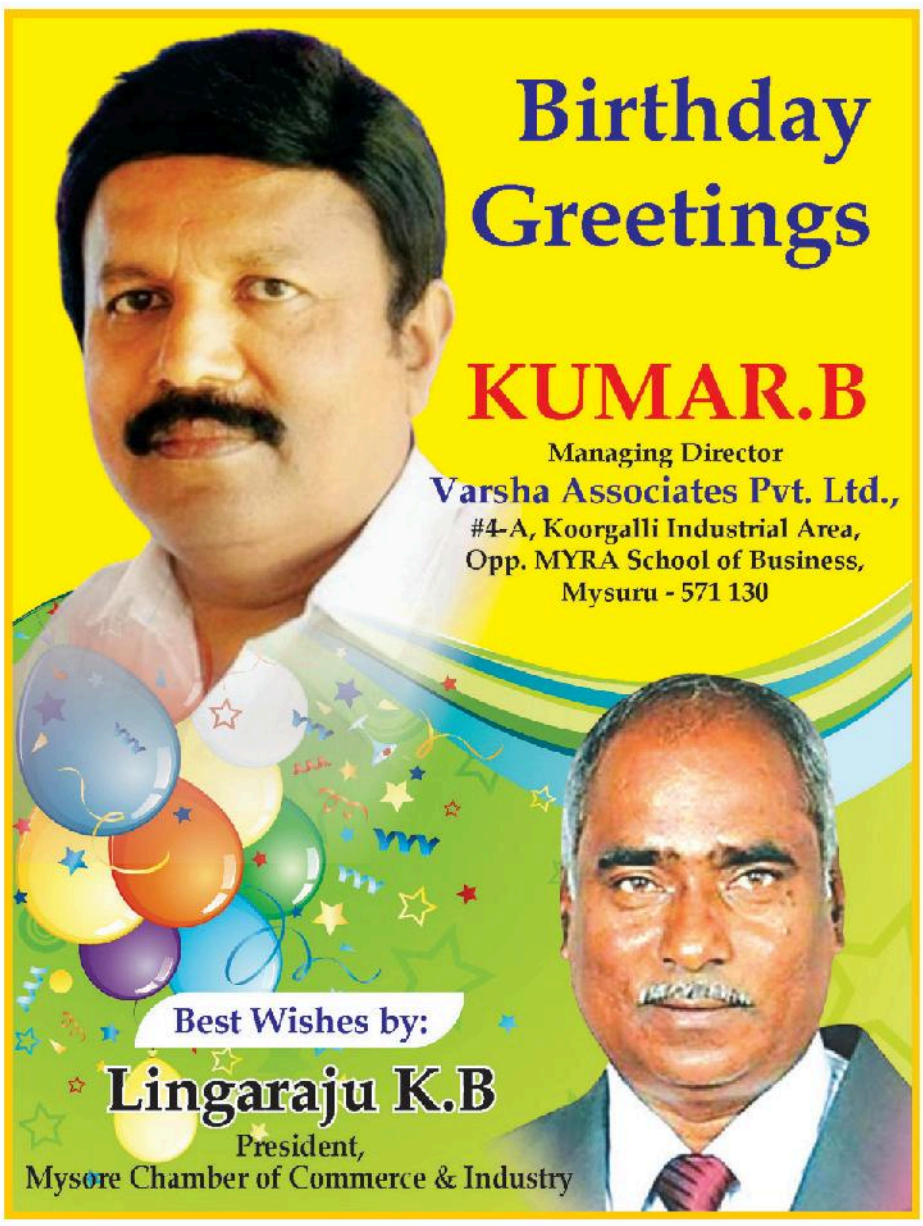

Mysuru gears up for Intl. Day of Yoga

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar (third from left) releasing the poster of International Day of Yoga at the DC's Office in city yesterday. DC Dr. K.V. Rajendra, MCC Commissioner Ashaad-Ur-Rahman Shariff, GSS Yogic Research Foundation Founder D. Srihari and others are seen.

Mysuru, June 15 (RK&VNS)- The District Administration is all prepped up to host 10th International Day of Yoga (IDY) to be held on June 21 at the Mysore Palace premises. The first International Day of Yoga was held on June 21, 2014.

Presiding over a meeting held to discuss preparations for the mega event at Deputy Commissioner's Office here yesterday, the newly-elected Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar said that International Day of Yoga-2024 would be held at Palace premises.

"In addition to the funds allocated by the Government, the event will be held in association with various organisations and yoga schools in the city," he said.

MP Yaduveer Wadiyar also instructed the officials to ensure to take up cleaning works at the Mysore Palace premises apart from making arrangements for mobile toilets and transportation to help yoga enthusiasts participate in large numbers.

Speaking on the occasion, Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra said that the International Day of Yoga in Mysuru would be celebrated between 7 am and 8.30 am on June 21.

"We are expecting about 10,000 yoga enthusiasts to take part in the event. The stage programme would commence at 6.30 am in the presence of District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahevappa, MP Yaduveer Wadiyar, MLAs, MLCs, Yoga enthusiasts, Yoga Instructors, officials of various departments and students from various schools and colleges," he said.

Dr. Rajendra also instructed the officials to ensure parking arrangements and security arrangements were in place for the mega event.

It may be noted that Prime Minister Narendra Modi had visited Mysuru in 2022 to take part in International Day of Yoga held at the Mysore Palace.

Mysuru being considered as the Yoga Capital, many foreign nationals, who visit Mysuru to learn yoga, are also expected to take part in the yoga event to be held in the Palace premises on that day.

Those participating in International Day of Yoga at Mysore Palace must bring their own yoga mat and must wear comfortable T-shirt for the session.

Mysuru is home for as many as 400 yoga schools with more than 50,000 yoga enthusiasts taking part in the regular classes. There are about 5,000 yoga students, who have been learning yoga through online classes.

State-level Yoga Conference

Mysuru, June 15 (TRR)- To commemorate the International Day of Yoga (June 21), Karnataka Yoga Teachers Federation has organised a two-day **State-level Yoga Conference on June 22 and 23 at Kalamandira on Hunsur Road in city from 10 am to 5 pm.**

Senior Yoga exponent and Founder of Bharati Yogadhama, Dr. K.L. Shankaranarayana Jois, has been elected as the President of the Conference to be graced by President of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram Sri Muktidanandaji and Junior pontiff of Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji.

The Conference will be inaugurated by Minister for Health and Family Welfare Dinesh Gundurao. MP Yaduveer Wadiyar will a release the book 'Yoga Parampare' written by Yoga Teacher N. Anantha while Bengaluru Patanjali Yogashram President Prakash Guruji will release the souvenir 'Yogasiri.'

Assistant Director of Government Ayurveda Research Centre Dr. Lakshminarayana Shenoy, Principal of Government Yoga and Naturopathy Mahavidyalaya Dr. Gajanana Hegde, Legislators G.T. Devegowda, T.S. Srivatsa, Dr. D. Thimmaiah, K. Harishgowda, C.N. Manjegowda and MUDA Chairman K. Marigowda will participate as the chief guests.

The valedictory to be held on the evening of June 23 will be inaugurated by District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa.

University of Mysore (UoM) VC Prof. N.K. Lokanath will release books on Yoga. Achievers in Yoga will be presented with 'Yoga Ratnakara' awards on the occasion.

Students of Government Yoga and Naturopathy Mahavidyalaya, Government Ayurveda Mahavidyalaya, Physical Education Department of UoM and many students and teachers of various yoga organisations from different parts of the State will participate in the event.

Sessions

Many sessions have been organised as part of the Yoga Conference. Senior Scholar Dr. H.V. Nagaraja Rao will speak on the Heritage of Yoga; Yoga Scholar U.J. Adarsh will speak on Scientific aspects of Yoga Sutras; Yogacharya M.P. Vijayakumar will speak on Unveiling of Yoga in Bhagavad Gita; Dr. S.P. Yoganna on Yoga for Spiritual Achievement and Medical Author Dr. N. Someshwar will speak on Scientific Research about Yoga.

Senior Yoga Trainers will chair these sessions.

In between the seminars, there will be power point presentations about Adiyoga Shiva, Yogadarshini, Yoga Nritya, Nadayoga among others.

7th Leg of Women's Pro Golf Tour-2024

Jaipur golfer Khushi in search of 2nd career win in Mysuru

Mysuru, June 15 (Agencies)- Khushi Khanijau moved into the lead as Vidhatri Urs, playing her first event as a Pro, faltered on the back nine of the second round of the seventh Leg of the Women's Pro Golf Tour (WPGT)-2024 at Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club (JWGC) in city yesterday.

Playing in her hometown, Vidhatri gave away two bogeys and a double for one birdie on the 18th and finished with a round of 4-over 74.

In contrast, Khushi, whose only win on the Hero WPG Tour came in 2021 in Kolkata, picked up three birdies on the back after turning in even par.

Khushi carded the day's best and the only sub-par round of 69. She is now 1-over 141 and holds a one-shot lead over Jasmine Shekar (71-71). Jasmine was tied second after the first day.

One of the players making a good upward move was the seasoned Gaurika Bishnoi, who began well by being 2-under on the front nine. She gave away those gains with two bogeys on the back nine for a card of 70. Gaurika (73-70) is now 3-over 143 and tied third with Vidhatri.

Vidhatri suffered back-to-back bogeys on the fourth and the fifth holes, but made up with a birdie on the sixth. On the back nine, she dropped shots on the 12th and 15th and fell further back with a double bogey on the Par-4 16th. A closing birdie for a day's card of 74 kept her within distance at 3-over 143 and two behind the leader Khushi. Astha Madan (74-71) was fifth and another new pro, Anvitha Narender (74-72) was sixth.

Khushi Khanijau

Experienced Amandeep Drall made a 7-shot improvement on her 1st round 77. She is now tied 7th with amateur Mannat Brar (75-72) and Rhea Purvi Saravanan (73-74).

Sneha Singh, who was tied 2nd after the first round, shared tenth spot. Ananya after a first round 71 dropped down with a second round of 77.

The lead group for the final round will see one-time winner Khushi Khanijau battle Jasmine Shekar, who is searching for her first win after numerous runner-up finishes and multiple winner Gaurika Bishnoi. Vidhatri Urs finds herself in the second to last group alongside fellow debutant Anvitha Narender and Astha Madan. The cut fell at 155 and 21 players made final round.

'Let yoga become lifestyle of people'

Mysuru, June 15 (DM)- Mysuru Government Ayurveda College faculty Dr. K.V. Venkatakrishna said that practicing yoga is the best remedy for many ailments and adopting an yogic lifestyle will help a lot in maintaining good physical and mental health.

He was speaking after inaugurating 'Yoga for women empowerment-2024' organised by the Department of Swasthavrutta and Yoga, Government Ayurveda College, as a prelude to International Day of Yoga (June 21) at Sougandhika Park in Gokulam here recently.

Pointing out that the programme is meant for well-being of women, Dr. Venkatakrishna said that the 'Yoga for Women empowerment' programme aimed to provide physical, mental, emotional, social and spiritual well-being of women through the use of yoga as a tool. This in turn, will ensure that women are healthy and confident and play a leading role in the society, he added.

Akhila Bharatiya Grahaka Panchayat Mysuru Unit Head J. Nagamani said that people should practice yoga at least on a limited scale and have a Sattvick diet for maintaining a good health.

More than 50 people practiced yoga on the occasion.

Chamaraja Constituency BJP leader Chandrakala, Darshan Murthy and others were present.

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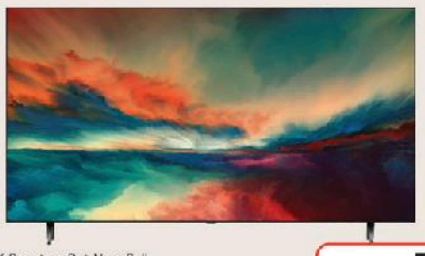

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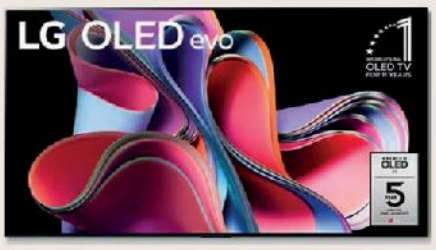

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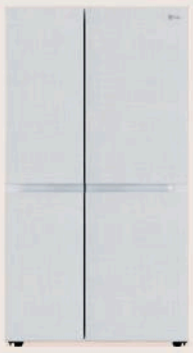

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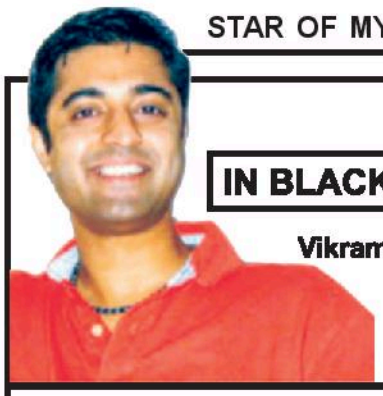

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The Cult of Celebrity: When Fans Go Too Far

Kannada actor Darshan's alleged involvement in a murder and the slow reaction from otherwise hyper 'reactionary' fellow actors, politicians and actors' Fan Clubs makes us wonder: Are we unable to differentiate between what is real and a reel anymore? Are we unable to figure out what should be defended and what must be derided?

The problem is the growth of Fan Clubs for actors. So much so that the fans love it when their hero talks and behaves like the flawed characters, they portray in movies, in real life!

These fans believe their hero can do no wrong. So, they blindly support them even when there is proof that their hero is actually a villain in real life!

Forget the fans, they could be regular Joes but when powerful people come to their rescue like a frenzied fan, there is a problem.

It reminds one of what happened when Sanjay Dutt was sentenced for his involvement in the Mumbai blasts. Back then, Jaya Bachchan, who was a Member of Parliament, was outraged and asked "Where was the Government all these years? Suddenly you have realised he has to go to jail? This is rubbish…"

Jaya Bachchan forgot that if Sanjay Dutt had informed the Mumbai Police about his 'friends' smuggling arms and grenades into Mumbai, 257 of her countrymen, would be still alive today.

Shockingly, even former Justice Markandey Katju, who said 90 percent of Indians are idiots, asked pardon for Dutt!

Well, we Indians may be idiots but we are surely not sentimental fools like Justice Katju and some members of actors' Fan Clubs.

A Fan Club will attract fans who will almost do anything to impress their hero, like in Darshan's case where his Fan Club President reportedly kidnapped a person and brought him to a shed who then was tortured and killed.

Over the years, Fan Clubs have become an 'army' for an actor to deal with competition, prosecution and even aid in his future as a politician.

This craze of Fan Clubs for actors is very much a South Indian phenomenon. In Karnataka, it is called 'Abhimanigala Sangha' (an association of admirers). In the Telugu film industry, it is called 'Abhimana Sangham' and in the Tamil industry it is 'Rasigar Mandram.'

The first Movie Star Fan Club is said to have been formed in Tamil Nadu in 1953. It was for Tamil actor M.G. Ramachandran (MGR). Soon MGR joined politics. And then his Fan Clubs became a quasi-political outfit.

It is said that when MGR was suspended from DMK in 1972, he went on to form his own party, Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam now called AIADMK (All India Anna Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam) on the strength of his *Mandrams* or Fan Clubs.

In Andhra Pradesh, N.T. Rama Rao (NTR) used his Fan Club for politics. His fans campaigned actively and aggressively in the 1983 Assembly elections, making him the first non-Congress Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh.

In Karnataka, the legendary Dr. Rajkumar, despite having a massive fan following, chose not to exploit his admirers for political gains.

Fans can be creatures who possess obsessive behaviour while also being servile to their hero. But interestingly, they will not follow the good and hard-to-follow standards set by the superstars.

Dr. Rajkumar was so conscious of what image and message he exuded that he never smoked in his films. In over 220 films he acted in, he smoked only in one film 'Prathidhwani.' He was all about eating healthy, doing yoga and generally lived a simple and peaceful lifestyle.

So, it was ironic that when Dr. Rajkumar died in 2006, from natural causes, his fans not only brought Bangalore to a complete standstill but several people died in the rioting that followed the undeclared bandh. Dr. Rajkumar would have been heartbroken by this manifestation of grief over his death.

Similarly, when another Kannada superstar Dr. Vishnuvardhan died too there was an impromptu Bangalore bandh, albeit a less violent one.

The most extreme case perhaps was the aftermath of M.G. Ramachandran's death in 1987, which reportedly led to 31 suicides among his fans.

Such instances of extreme behaviour highlight the unhealthy and dangerous levels of devotion some fans have towards their idols.

Now, as Fan Clubs become more effective in getting things done, maybe one should start their own Fan Club for protection and validation.

Observing these events, one might whimsically think of starting a personal Fan Club, complete with fiercely loyal members ready to defend their leader at any cost.

This tongue-in-cheek proposition highlights the absurdity of such extreme fandom, emphasising the need for rationality and the importance of distinguishing between admiration and blind fanaticism.

The cult of celebrity and the power of Fan Clubs reflect a deep-seated cultural issue. While admiration for talent is natural, fans must maintain a sense of perspective.

Blind loyalty can lead to dangerous consequences, and it's vital to remember that even our idols are fallible humans. As fans, supporting our heroes should never come at the cost of justice, rationality and ethical behaviour.

Darshan's case should make fans of movie actors to be aware — it's okay to be a fan, but don't be a fanatic.

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Voters averted existential crisis of our Constitution

Senior Supreme Court advocate Dr. Aditya Sondhi delivers talk on 'Is the Constitution in Crisis?'

Mysuru, June 15 (MTY&BCT)- "Before the recent Lok Sabha elections, there was an existential crisis concerning the Constitution when some leaders of the ruling party openly proclaimed that they would change the Constitution if they secured more than 400 seats," said Dr. Aditya Sondhi, a Senior Advocate, who practises in the High Court of Karnataka and the Supreme Court of India.

He was delivering a talk on the topic 'Is the Constitution in Crisis?' organised by Mysore Open Forum at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, Vijayanagar Fourth Stage, this morning.

"What that new Constitution would look like is anybody's guess. The fact that we were discussing not an amendment or a modification to the existing Constitution, but an entirely new Constitution, indicates a desire to reinvent the wheel. This is neither desirable nor necessary in our current times," he added.

"The draft that circulated portrayed India as a 'Hindu Rashtra', which I consider a concerning narrative. While this may be a flippant exercise, the fact that it is being discussed publicly is a crisis. However, the Indian electorate has seemingly averted this existential crisis by voting in a Coalition Government whose numbers do not enable the kind of sweeping Constitutional changes that this narrative would have required," he added.

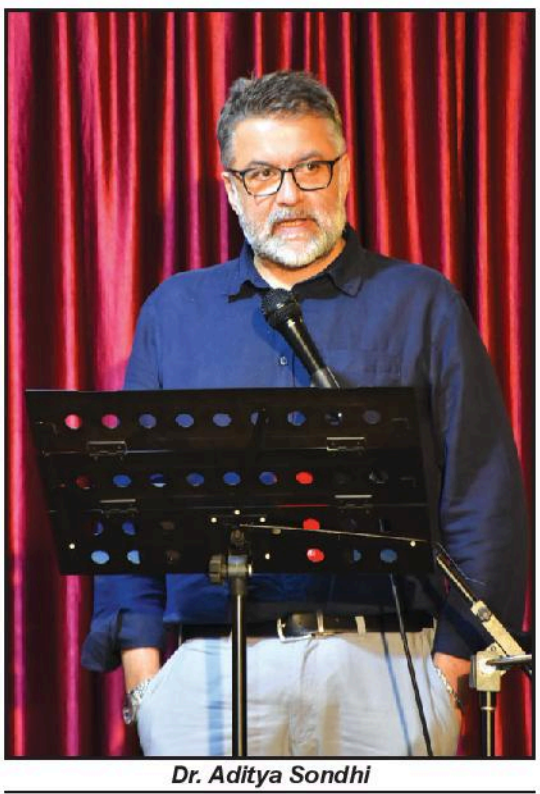
'Crisis was a real one'

"A month before the election results, asking whether the Constitution was in crisis would have been a rhetorical question, at least in my view. This is because the crisis was very real - one that I have previously described as both existential and a crisis of identity. These are the types of crises typically associated with individual personality disorders, and I believe the Constitution itself was grappling with these same profound challenges," he noted.

"While the Indian Constitution is not perfect, there are numerous areas it could potentially address, such as civil rights, human rights, federal structure and empowering citizens. However, the current narrative suggests we are facing a crisis, as the prospect of a new Constitution that could fundamentally redefine our national identity is being discussed, rightly or wrongly," Dr. Aditya Sondhi said.

"Although the existential crisis may have diminished, I still grapple with a profound identity crisis - a deep sense of alienation from the ongoing discourse. I have personally felt this disconnect, as conversations among my peers have repeatedly questioned whether this Constitution truly represents our own," he opined.

"I'm acquainted with scholars, including personal



Dr. Aditya Sondhi

friends, who have argued that the Constitution is either colonial or communal in nature. However, I believe these positions can be contested. In my view, the Indian Constitution was fundamentally an anti-colonial endeavour, aimed at dismantling the legacy of the Government of India Act and the British rule that had dominated us for generations," he said.

Amendable Constitution

Speaking on the Constitution per se, Dr. Aditya Sondhi observed, "Our Constitution is neither rigid nor unamendable. In fact, it is a remarkably complex and comprehensive document, spanning 392 Articles with Schedules. Those who have studied, practised or taught Constitutional law can attest to the fascinating web of jurisprudence that permeates this document. It is not an easy read, but it was forged through an exercise in coalition-building shortly after our independence.

"Dr. Ambedkar is rightly credited as a founding father, but he had to reconcile diverse regional, ethnic, and caste-based views and perspectives to achieve consensus. That they were able to do so in such a short timeframe is quite an incredible feat. That said, the need to amend the Constitution as times change is a real and ongoing necessity," he added.

Ravi Joshi, retired Joint Secretary in the Government of India Cabinet Secretariat, who is also the Mysore Open Forum Convener, made his opening remarks. Prof. Shalini Urs introduced the speaker.

CM launches Laksha Vruksha

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The overall forest cover should be 30 percent, but now it is in the range of 19 to 20 percent, the CM added.

Quoting the lines of Mahatma Gandhi who had once said, "The Earth has enough resources to meet the needs of all but not enough to satisfy the greed of even one person", CM Siddaramaiah said: "Government has also set a target to plant five crore saplings in the State this year. But, the Forest Department officials claim 80 percent of the saplings survive, but in reality, it is different, as not much saplings will be left to seen later."

Minister for Forest, Ecology and Environment Eshwar Khandre, who launched the distribution of saplings as part of the programme, said that a target has been set to plant 25 crore saplings in the State in the next five years.

In his opening address, Khandre lauded the initiative of the Balaga, which has been involved in Laksha Vruksha Campaign from the year 2019 and thanked them on behalf of the Forest Department.

"Nowadays, there are discussions on climate change and we all hold responsibility towards conserving the environment, for the survival of the mankind, by checking any activities against the nature in the coming days," said Khandre.

Referring to the recent heat situation, due to which the people had to suffer for two months, Khandre said: "If such a situation continues, the survival of animals would be doubtful. The changes in climate can be attributed to the greed among ourselves, as we indulge in rampant destruction of natural resources in the name of development."

"Our ancestors were worshipping nature, but now it's a vice-versa situation. The forest is being destroyed and taking all these into cognisance, all should resolve to save and nurture the environment," appealed Khandre.

Saying that, a target has been set to plant 11 lakh saplings in Mysuru district this year, with the early arrival of monsoon, Khandre informed that, even during the previous year, 20 lakh saplings were planted. But what counts more is, caring for the plants, rather than merely planting them.

Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji and Kundur Mutt Seer Dr. Sharat Chandra Swamiji graced the event.

District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa released 'Sasya Sambhrama' booklet. Minister for Veterinary and Sericulture K. Venkatesh, KPCC Working President and MLA Tanveer Sait, KSOU Vice-Chancellor Prof. Sharanappa V. Halse and journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar were present.

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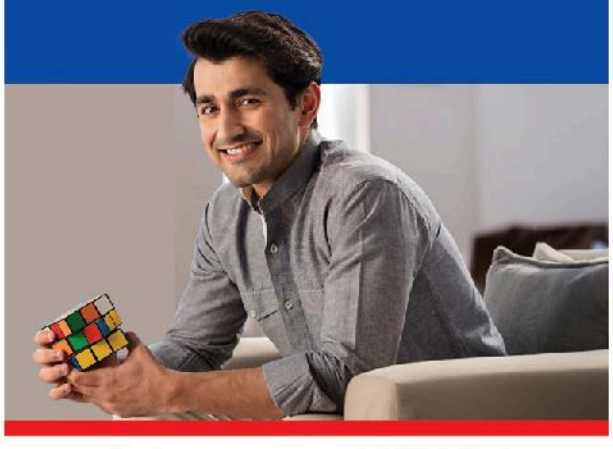
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Two-day Jackfruit Festival begins

Mysuru, June 15 (RK&DM)- The two-day Jackfruit Festival organised by Sahaja Samruddha in collaboration with Rotary Club of Mysore West and Rebuild India Fund, began at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry on Vinoba road here this morning.

Speaking after inaugurating the festival by lighting the lamp, farmer leader Kurubur Shantakumar said jackfruit, the 4th largest growing fruit in India, has good medicinal and nutraceutical properties in it.

"But unfortunately, jackfruit is still an underutilised and neglected fruit. It is high time for popularising it as a reliable commercial crop especially in drought-prone areas," he said adding that this festival, which reaffirms these aspects, would be of significance to both producers and consumers.

Rotary Mysore West President Rtn. S.K. Sudheendra, Secretary Rtn. M.L. Nagesh, Sahaja Samruddha Director G. Krishnaprasad and others were present. Over 30 varieties of jackfruit and seedlings are on display at the fest open from 10 am to 8 pm.

‘Nalwadi used to see God in distressed people’

‘Rajarshi Nalwadi Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar’ award conferred

Mysuru, June 15 (GA&TRR)- Special Officer of Nataraja Pratishtana S. Shivarajappa has said that erstwhile king of Mysore Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar used to see God in the heart of distressed people.

He was speaking at a function organised to commemorate the birth anniversary of Nalwadi at Pathrakartara Bhavan in the city on Thursday. The function was organised by Basaveshwara Pratishtana.

“Nalwadi was a social reformer like Buddha, Basavanna, Mahatma Gandhi and Dr. B.R. Ambedkar, who worked for the welfare of the people. He treated everyone equally irrespective of their status in the society. The present politicians must imbibe his ideals. Nalwadi is remembered even today for his social service,” said Shivarajappa.

BJP leader Gurupadaswamy said that in those days itself, Nalwadi used to hold People’s Representative meeting two times a year and formulated good programmes and implemented them, which helped Mysore State to become a role model for others to emulate.

The present Lok Sabha, Assembly and Local Bodies are functioning on the lines of People’s Representative meetings held by Nalwadi, he added.

Social activist Dr. K. Raghuram Vajpayee opined that the Central Government must announce *Bharat Ratna* to Nalwadi and also share information about his ideals and governance to the people of the country. Nalwadi was a true democrat who had a lot of respect for freedom of press.

Achievers from various fields, P. Shantharaje Urs, D. Shivaiah, Dr. K. Leela Prakash, B.P. Murthy and M.B. Shivakumar were presented ‘Rajarshi Nalwadi Sri Krishnaraja Wadiyar’ award by Urs Jagruti Academy Charitable Trust Hon. Secretary Dr. M.G.R. Urs.

Senior writer Bannur K. Raju, Jaganmaate Akkamahadevi Souharda Sangha’s C.L. Sharmila and Pratishtana President Basava Rajendraswamy were present on the occasion.

‘Reduce students problems to zero’

KSOU VC at Margadarshi-25 interaction

Mysuru, June 15 (RK&TRR)- Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Vice-Chancellor (VC) Prof. Sharanappa V. Halse has directed the staff to quickly respond to the grievances of students and address their problems at the earliest.

He was speaking after inaugurating ‘Margadarshi-25’ programme organised at KSOU Learners Support Centre, at Mukthagangothri on Thursday.

“When students apply for admissions, marks card and original certificates or call the officials to get some information, they should properly guide the students about the procedures to be followed,” said Prof. Halse.

“The Learners Support Centre has been specifically created and provided with necessary staff for the benefit of students. Staff must make use of the facilities and reduce the number of students’ problems to zero. The main intention of establishing the Centre is to avoid students coming to Mysuru seeking solutions to their minor problems,” said KSOU VC.

Prof. Halse concluded by saying that all the employees of KSOU must discharge their duties responsibly without giving scope for any complaints and thereby ensure good Distance Education to students all over the State.

Registrar Prof. K.B. Praveena said that working in Learners Support Centre is all about interacting and communicating. The staff of the Centre must be pro-active. They should receive every call that is made to the Centre and in case the call gets disconnected in the middle, the staff should call back the number and give the needed information.

Dean of Study Centres Prof. M. Ramanatham Naidu, Registrar (Examinations) Satish, Centre Co-ordinator Dr. Sudhakara Hosalli, senior journalist Amshi Prasannakumar, Co-ordinator of KSOU Competitive Examinations Training Centre Jainahalli Satyanarayana Gowda, MBA Division’s Prof. Mahadevaswamy and others were present at the programme.

World Blood Donors Day celebrated

District AIDS Control Officer Dr. Mohammad Siraj Ahmed and K.R. Hospital Blood Bank Officer Dr. Kusuma, who were felicitated during the World Blood Donors Day celebrations at Vijnana Bhavan in Manasagangothri campus on Friday, are seen with UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath, DHO Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy and others.

Mysuru, June 15 (BLU&DM)- World Blood Donors Day was celebrated at a programme jointly organised by the District Health and Family Welfare Department, Karnataka State AIDS Prevention Society (KSAPS), Departments of Social Work and Journalism & Mass Communication, University of Mysore (UoM), K.R. Hospital Blood Bank and Lions Blood Centre Jeevadhara, Mysuru, at Vijnana Bhavan in Manasagangothri campus here on Friday.

Speaking after inaugurating the programme, DHO Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy said that blood is most needed during treatment of accident and mishap victims, child birth, anaemic patients, conduct of major surgeries & such other emergencies.

Pointing out that the Government is working at making India anaemia-free, he said that the World Blood Donors Day serves to thank voluntary and unpaid blood donors for their life-saving gifts of blood and to raise awareness on the need for donation of safe blood and blood products.

“The theme of World Blood Donors Day changes every year and this year the theme is ‘2024-Celebrating 20 years of Giving: Thank You Blood Donors,’ he said and highlighted the importance of donating blood and supporting communities.

He also called for more people to become voluntary donors and thus become life-savers by donating blood to people unknown to them.

UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. N.K. Lokanath, District AIDS Control Officer Dr. Mohammad Siraj Ahmed, K.R. Hospital Blood Bank Officer Dr. Kusuma, Head of Department of Social Work (UoM) Dr. Chandramouli, Department faculty Dr. H.P. Jyothi, Head of Department of Journalism and Mass Communication Dr. Sapna, Lions Blood Centre Jeevadhara Managing Trustee S.E. Girish, Executive Trustee C.G. Muthanna and others were present.

Notebooks and writing materials distributed to Government School children

Mysuru, June 15 (SBD&TRR)- Snehajeevi Foundation, a city-based organisation, distributed free notebooks and writing materials to hundreds of students of Ward No. 36, Yaraganahalli Government School on Thursday.

MLA Tanveer Sait, who distributed the learning materials to students on behalf of Yaraganahalli leaders, lauded the intention of the Foundation to encourage children of Government School.

Talented students of the school were felicitated at the function.

Congress leader G.M. Manju, Alanahalli Police Station Sub-Inspector Swarna, Snehajeevi Foundation President D. Raghu, doctor Ramesh Nayak, Secretary of Lions Educational Institutions and social activist Umesh, Cyber Crime Cell’s S. Lingaraju, school teachers and office-bearers of the Foundation were present at the function.

Renukaswamy Murder Case

Two more accused surrender before Chitradurga Dy.SP

Case exposes the dark underbelly of fandom, celebrity culture in Karnataka

Bengaluru, June 15 (Agencies)- The investigation into the murder of Renukaswamy from Chitradurga, involving popular Kannada actor Darshan Thoogudeepa, his alleged girlfriend Pavithra Gowda and 11 others has picked up pace with the surrender of two more suspects.

Renukaswamy

Jaggu alias Jagadish and Anukumar surrendered to the Police a day after Ravi, the driver who transported Renukaswamy from Chitradurga to Bengaluru, approximately 200 km apart, surrendered.

Pavithra Gowda allegedly asked Darshan to 'punish' Renukaswamy for posting derogatory comments on her social media uploads. Raghavendra, the President of the Darshan Fans' Association in Chitradurga, was tasked with locating Renukaswamy and later he was murdered at a vehicle impound shed in Bengaluru's Rajarajeshwari Nagar, owned by one of the accused Vinay's uncle Pattanagrere Jayanna.

Jagadish *Anukumar*

While Ravi surrendered at the Deputy Superintendent of Police's office in Chitradurga on Thursday night, Jaggu and Anukumar, both fans of Darshan, surrendered before DySP P. Dinakar. This brings the total number of arrests in the case to 17.

Both Jaggu and Anukumar were working as autorickshaw drivers in Chitradurga. Speaking to reporters, Dinakar stated that both accused had been handed over to the Annapoorneshwari Nagar Police in Bengaluru for further investigation.

Accused's father dies

Upon hearing the news of his son Anukumar's arrest, Chandrappa (60) collapsed at his

Chandrappa

home in Sihineeru Honda. He was immediately taken to a hospital, where he developed low blood pressure and died of cardiac arrest at 7 pm.

Anukumar's mother, Jayamma, was inconsolable. "My son worked as an autorickshaw driver for the last three years. He is the sole breadwinner of our family. His arrest has shattered our dreams," she said.

Jayamma claimed her son was innocent and blamed Darshan for ruining the life of their family's breadwinner. Sulochana, the mother of Jaggu, also insisted her son was innocent. She claimed Jaggu was being framed and despite being a fan of Darshan, never imagined his admiration would lead to jail. She mentioned that Jaggu is the only earning member of their family, leaving them in dire straits.

The investigation continues as more details emerge about this shocking incident, shedding light on the dark underbelly of fandom and celebrity culture in Karnataka.

Darshan stripped as 'Agriculture Dept. Brand Ambassador'

Bengaluru, June 15 (Agencies)- Kannada actor Darshan, the accused number 2, in the Renukaswamy murder case, has been removed from his position as Brand Ambassador for Agriculture Department, Industries Minister M.B. Patil announced on Friday.

Darshan

The decision follows protests by farmers in Mandya against the actor, who had previously campaigned in the region for Congress candidate Venkataramane Gowda (Star Chandru) in the recently held Lok Sabha elections and for former MP Sumalatha Ambarish in the 2019 elections from Mandya LS Constituency.

Darshan also campaigned for Sarvodaya Karnataka Party candidate Darshan Puttannaiah in the Melukote Constituency during the 2023 assembly elections. One of his campaign speeches has gone viral on social media, where he declared that no one would find a worse fellow than him, a statement that was met with thunderous applause.

Farmers in the region now demand that the actor be brought to justice and call for a CBI inquiry into the case. Kurubur Shanthakumar, President of the Federation of State Farmers' Associations, criticised the Government's decision-making in appointing Brand Ambassadors. "One has to take a higher moral ground in society after reaching a certain position... they should be a role model for others," he said.

Forest Dept. Brand Ambassador

It may be recalled here that due to his love of animals and popularity, Darshan was appointed as the Brand Ambassador of the Forest Department by the State Government in 2021. During the lockdown and COVID-19 pandemic, when revenue generation dipped at all the Zoos of the State, Darshan appealed to the public to adopt animals, generating Rs. 3 crore to Rs. 3.5 crore in revenue, which helped Karnataka's Zoos overcome their financial crisis.

Applications invited for Pratibha Puraskar

Mysuru, June 15- Brahmana Sangha Hebbal Vijayanagar has invited applications from meritorious children of the sangha members, who have scored more than 85 percent marks in SSLC and PUC (2023-24), for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar. Last date for registration is June 30. For details, contact Mob: 92435-29365, 90350-11459 or 63632-70792

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K. Marigowda seeks support to secure MUDA properties

Mysuru, June 15 (DM)- In order to alleviate the general public perception that MUDA properties are being grabbed by unscrupulous persons, MUDA Chairman K. Marigowda has asked the officials to secure all landed properties of MUDA in and around the city.

Addressing a meeting of officials at MUDA Office on JLB Road here yesterday, Marigowda said that MUDA has been established with the objective of functioning as per 'No Profit, No Loss'. But it seems that of late, MUDA is treading in the opposite direction of this motto for which the lack of co-ordination between officials are to be blamed.

Maintaining that there seems to be lack of co-ordination between three key sections of MUDA — Technical Wing, City Planning Division and Land Acquisition Section, Marigowda cautioned the officials against any inconvenience to the public due to official apathy.

"MUDA officials must update on all landed properties of MUDA including stray sites, stray houses, vacant sites in residential layouts, rented or leased out landed properties or buildings etc. The officials must also give inputs and guidelines on allotment of CA (Civic Amenities) sites and the applicants seeking these sites. At the same time, officials must focus on providing civic amenities in all MUDA Layouts", he said while also stressing the need for improving infrastructure in layouts coming under MUDA.

He further said that the authorities must come up with a report on new plans and projects, which will be brought to the notice of the Chief Minister for approval.

MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dineshkumar raised the issue of handing over MUDA Layouts to the MCC after collecting GST and other taxes.

In response, Marigowda asked the officials to come up with complete information about the matter. He also directed the Planning Division to mandatorily seek the co-operation of the technical wing while approving layouts and asked the officials to be punctual and to introduce bio-metric system of staff attendance.

"The officials must carry out a tour of localities at 8.30 am on June 18 in order to have first-hand information about the shortcomings. The officials must also visit 2 zones every day by travelling in the MUDA's mini bus for gathering comprehensive information on what needs to be done more," he said.

He also said that an official delegation must be taken out to meet the Chief Minister seeking approval for acquisition of 485 acres land at Ballahalli and 165 acres of land at Bommenahalli for formation of layouts.

Town Planner Member Shivaram, SE Dharmendra, MUDA Secretary Shekar and other officials were present.

Civic Honour for HDK in Mandya cancelled for now

Newly inducted Union Minister to visit Suttur Mutt, Mysuru branch today, Adichunchanagiri Mutt in Mandya tomorrow

Kumaraswamy

Mandya, June 15 (BS)-The Civic Honour for Union Minister for Heavy Industries and Steel H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK), scheduled at Visvesvaraya stadium in the town tomorrow (June 16) stands cancelled, due to unavoidable circumstances.

Former Minister C.S. Puttaraju told media persons here yesterday that the programme to honour Kumaraswamy had been organised as the former CM had won the LS elections from Mandya Constituency, and was also inducted into the Union Cabinet of Prime Minister Modi. "We also wanted former CM B.S. Yediyurappa to attend the event. However, with Yediyurappa facing a legal hurdle in a POCSO case registered against him in Bengaluru, we have decided to postpone the civic honour event for now," he said.

Puttaraju said "Yediyurappa who had campaigned for HDK during the LS polls had also hinted at the latter becoming a Central Minister in the event of his victory in the election."

But, the other engagements of HDK will remain as per schedule, with the former CM arriving in the district via Maddur at 3 pm today. He will be accorded a grand welcome by former Minister D.C. Thammanna at Maddur, following which the new office of the MP at the premises of Deputy Commissioner's Office will also be inaugurated along with puja rituals at 4.30 pm. Kumaraswamy will also be holding a meeting with the officers.

HDK is scheduled to visit Suttur Mutt at the foot of Chamundi Hill in Mysuru at 7.30 pm. He will later travel back to Bengaluru by road and return to Mysuru tomorrow to visit Chamundeshwari Hill temple at 2 pm. Prior to that, Kumaraswamy will be visiting Adichunchanagiri Mutt in Mandya at 9 am, as per the three-day tour programme of the former CM.

Bakrid on June 17: Sheep Fair turns Millennium Circle busy

Mysuru, June 15 (MK&BS)-Ahead of Bakrid festival celebrated by Muslims across the country on Monday (June 17), the Millennium Circle in front of LIC Divisional Office, Bannimantap in the city, is chock-a-block, with the people thronging to buy sheep.

The traffic islands around the Circle have turned into a makeshift sheep fair, with the vendors including sheep-rearers, making a brisk business like every year.

The vendors from various parts of Mysuru district like Nanjangud, Bannur and T. Narasipur, Srirangapatna, Pandavapura, KRS and Maddur from Mandya district, Chamarajanagar and Holenarasipura in Hassan district are bringing the live-stock belonging to various breeds, only to make a fast buck.

Sheep belonging to the native breeds like Bandur, Bannur and Yalaga from Ameengad in Bagalkot district are much in demand, especially for those pairs together weighing 30 kg to 40 kg being sold in the range of Rs. 50,000 to Rs. 1 lakh.

Manjunath, a sheep vendor from Nanjangud said "We have been trading sheep at this Circle from the last one week. We pitch for Rs. 75,000 and about 40 sheep of Yalaga breed have been sold so far. Even during the previous year, we had sold 50 sheep. We also take part in the fairs organised at Bengaluru, Srirangapatna and other places."

According to Manoj of Kaggalipura "The business so far has been okay, as we had invested Rs. 10,000 on the lambs before rearing them. The Bandur Sheep is being sold at Rs. 45,000, while the rate varies from Rs. 65,000 to Rs. 70,000 for a pair of sheep."

Another merchant Babu was disappointed to note that it has rather become an exhibition of sorts, with most of the visitors only enquiring about the price of sheep, rather than buying them.

The breed of Ram from Shravanabelagola are attractive and asking price is between Rs. 15,000 and Rs. 16,000 per sheep, said Gopi from Chinakurali, who showered filial feelings towards Muslims, who have been preparing for Bakrid festival.

Mahesh, also a sheep trader from Mandya was feeling down over 8 Kenguri breed of sheep brought by him for the first time, remaining unsold yet. We have been pitching them for Rs. 27,000 to Rs. 28,000, but the buyers have been demanding for Rs. 20,000 to Rs. 21,000.

If that was all about sheep, the temporary fair has been severely inconveniencing the motorists. The area around has also turned into a temporary parking lot, with the buyers parking their vehicles in a haphazard manner, adding to the traffic woes.

MP Yaduveer Wadiyar visits Mysore Bar Association

Mysuru, June 15 (SBD&BS)-Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar visited Mysore Bar Association at Law Courts complex in the city on Thursday.

Yaduveer, who earlier thanked the advocates for contributing to his victory in the recent Lok Sabha elections, later visited the Bar Association office and interacted with the Association President S. Lokesh.

The Bar Association also submitted a list of demands in the memorandum submitted to MP Yaduveer Wadiyar for establishing a Law Research Centre and Central College, new toilet, digitalisation of library, books for the library and toll-free facility for advocates.

Yaduveer was also felicitated under the aegis of *Law Guide*, a monthly magazine, on the occasion.

Advocate H.N. Venkatesh, also the Honorary Editor of *Law Guide*, former President of Mysore Bar Association G.V. Ramamurthy, senior advocate M.D. Harish Kumar Hegde, Secretary of Mysore Bar Association A.G. Sudheer, Vice-President M.V. Chandrashekar, Treasurer H.B. Bharath, Joint Secretary-Woman B.V. Vinoda, Joint Secretary K.R. Charanraj, Ananth, Ananthu, Santosh, Gopal Gowda, Lokesh and others were present.

Aged woman robbed of her gold chain

Mysuru, June 15 (SPN&BS)-An elderly woman was robbed of her gold chain weighing 50 grams allegedly by two scooter riders in Vidyaranyapuram Police Station limits on Friday night.

Satyavathi, aged 75 years and resident of Second Main, Vidyaranyapuram was walking towards her sister's house on Fourth Main in the same locality, when she was relieved of her chain on Sarvajanika Hostel Main Road at about 7.30 pm.

ACP Ramesh, Vidyaranyapuram Police Inspector Mohit and former Corporator of Ward No.61 Suneel visited the spot. A case has been registered at Vidyaranyapuram Police Station.

Hi Life Fashion Exhibition begins

The two-day Hi Life Fashion Exhibition was inaugurated at Radisson Blu Plaza Hotel in city this morning. The expo, featuring tunics, capes, jackets and drapes, latest stunning range of designer wear, jewellery, bridal wear, fashion accessories and much more, is open between 10 am and 8 pm today and tomorrow. Patrick Libera - Director of Hi Life Exhibition; Shomika S. Rao - Event Organiser of Hi Life Exhibition; S. Srikanth - Programme Co-ordinator; Urvashi Harsha Melanta - Co-Founder of Mysore Union - North Avenue & Kling Brewery; Shilpa Vishwas - Industrialist; Dhanya Shushrutha - Administrator of NeuroZone & Trustee of Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital; Dr. Sandhya R. Rao - ENT Specialist and Clinical Cosmetologist; Naziya Nayeem, Partner of MN Agro Industries; Gayathri Devi - Industrialist (Mulberry Bay Service Apartments); Mortha Sushma - Director of ESS ENN Auto Brakes Pvt. Ltd.; Sowmya Prakash - Partner of GLN Convention Centre; Harshida Harikumar - Principal of Manasarowar Pushkarini Vidyashrama and Latha Raghunath - Industrialist (SewKrafty) were present during the inauguration.

Founder's Day celebration at BTL Vidyavahini School and BTL Composite PU College

Mysuru, June 15- Founder's Day was celebrated on June 8 at BTL Vidyavahini School and BTL Composite PU College, Kesare, in honour of the Birth Anniversary of its Founder Prof. B.T. Lakshman.

Revathi Kamath, a distinguished Veena Vidushi, Environmentalist, Landscapist, Founder of Calyx and Co-Founder of Zerodha was the chief guest. She was accompanied by Mohan, CEO of KNC.

The event featured felicitation to the toppers in SSLC and PUC examinations for the academic year 2023-24, as well as a few teachers and lecturers. The celebration saw active participation from Chairman Apoorva Lakshman, Secretary Prof. B. Shivaraj along with students, teaching and non-teaching staff.

Prof. K. Ramdas commemoration programme tomorrow

Prof. Ramdas

Mysuru, June 15 (GA&DM)- Marking the commemoration of late activist Prof. K. Ramdas, the city-based Desiranga Cultural Trust will be organising 'K. Ramdas Smarane', featuring several programmes at Sriranga Vedike in Rangayana premises on Hunsur Road at 10.30 am on June 16.

Announcing this at a press meet here recently, Trust President Krishna Janamana said Senior Journalist Krishnaprasad will inaugurate the programme.

Noted poetess Savitha Nagabushan will release the book *'Antara Jaati Vivaha Mattu Saamajika Samaanathe'* while Senior Journalist Ravindra Bhat will distribute prizes to the winners of the article writing contest on the topic *'Rajakaranda Nytika Nelegattu Mattu Prastutha Raajakaarana'*, held as part of the event. University of Mysore former faculty Prof. Muzaffar Assadi will preside.

The afternoon session will begin at 2.30 pm with a lecture on the topic *'Raajakaaranada Nytika Nelegattu'* by political analyst Shivasundar. Writer and Journalist B.M. Haneef will speak on the topic *'Raajakaarana Mattu Pragatipararu'*. Senior Journalist Amshi Prasannakumar will preside. Former Corporator K.V. Mallesh will be present.

Wildlife photographers Krupakar and Senani will deliver the valedictory address at 4 pm. Former MLA M.K. Somashekar will preside. Prof. H.R. Swamy will be the chief guest. Dr. B.S. Dinamani was present.

CM Siddu reiterates his demand over NEET fiasco

Siddaramaiah

Mysuru, June 15 (BLU&BS)- Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has reiterated that the students including the rank holders have suffered injustice in the recent National Eligibility Cum Entrance Test (NEET) and hence have demanded for conducting a retest and probe into the alleged NEET mess.

He was speaking to media persons outside his T.K. Layout residence in the city this morning.

"The students should not be meted out injustice and it is unfair to give grace marks to pass some of the students, who appeared for NEET," opined CM Siddaramaiah.

To a question on eight Ministers representing South India accommodated in the Central Cabinet, Siddaramaiah said "BJP lacks support in the Southern part of the country. BJP is a Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS) based party, but the RSS leaders themselves have said that, BJP failed to perform on expected lines for some of its leaders being arrogant. BJP fosters a culture of threat."

Taking a strong exception to the recent remarks of Union Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy, accusing State Congress Government of practicing vendetta politics targeting the family of former Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa, who is booked in a POCSO case, Siddaramaiah, who shot back at HDK said, "What should we say for the case filed against us? Haven't they filed a case against me, D.K. Shivakumar and Rahul Gandhi."

"Delhi CM Arvind Kejriwal was sent to jail. Shouldn't we call it politics of hate?" he asked.

Clarifying that they were not indulged in vengeful politics, Siddaramaiah chose to say "I am not a political novice and don't practice politics of hate."

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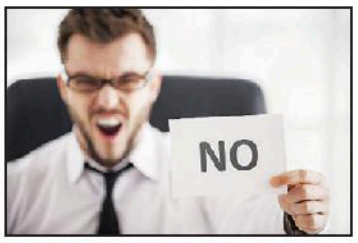
WORD OF THE DAY

Rebuff



Pronunciation: rih-BUFF (Verb)
Meaning: To rebuff something, such as an offer or suggestion, is to reject or criticise it sharply. One can also rebuff a person by rudely rejecting or refusing them.
Origin: Many English verbs begin with prefix re-, meaning "again" or "backward," so we wouldn't criticise you for drawing a connection between rebuff & buff, a verb meaning "to polish or shine." But rebuff would beg to differ: this word comes to us from Middle French verb rebuffer, which traces back to Old Italian ribuffare, meaning "to reprimand." (Buff, in contrast, comes from the Middle French noun buffle, meaning "wild ox"). A similar word, rebuke, shares the "criticise" sense of rebuff, but not "reject" sense; one can rebuke another's actions or policies, but one does not rebuke the advances of another, for example. Like rebuke, rebuff can also be used as a noun, as in "The proposal was met with a stern rebuff from the Board of Trustees."
Example: "The state rebuffed the lawyers' efforts to use the fees as seed money for a new technology system." — Robert T. Garrett, The Dallas (Texas) Morning News, 15 Feb. 2023

THE ODD WORD

Cimmerian

Very dark; gloomy.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Bring Home the Bacon

Meaning: This above phrase means to earn a living for family.
Origin: Like many expressions, the first ideas leading to the origin of the phrase "Bring Home the Bacon" can be found in medieval England, where bacon was highly prized. The phrase itself though, has been attributed to an article in an American newspaper, The Post-Standard, dated September 4th of 1906: 'Joe, the eyes of the world are on you. Everybody says you ought to win. Peter Jackson will tell me the news and you bring home the bacon."
Example: His wife chooses not to work, so Robert has to bring home bacon.

QUOTE BOX

Formula for success: rise early, work hard, strike oil. **—J. Paul Getty**

RIDDLE THIS

The healthier you are, the bigger I get. The bigger I get, the more I'm hated. What am I?

Answer: Age.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 RK's Kal __ Aur Kal
4 Small cask
7 Mayawati's party
10 Medicine
12 Before marriage
13 ___ arms : riled? (2,2)
15 Styles or modes of dress
17 "Sore" anagram for a lot of eggs?
18 Parliamentary decree
19 Verse rhythm?
20 Pain or distress
23 Leonardo da Vinci's Mona __
25 Deep sleep
26 State of neglect
29 An epoch or an era
30 Colourful carp
31 In favour of
33 Stimulus
36 A type of seabird
37 Moon of Jupiter
38 Risked or braved
39 Ex-India P.M. Morarjibhai ___
42 Water in France
43 Kerala festival
44 Capital of Meghalaya
49 Ancient Roman garb
50 Fryer
51 Electronics giant
52 Gambler's haven ___ Vegas
53 Grow old
54 With it

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

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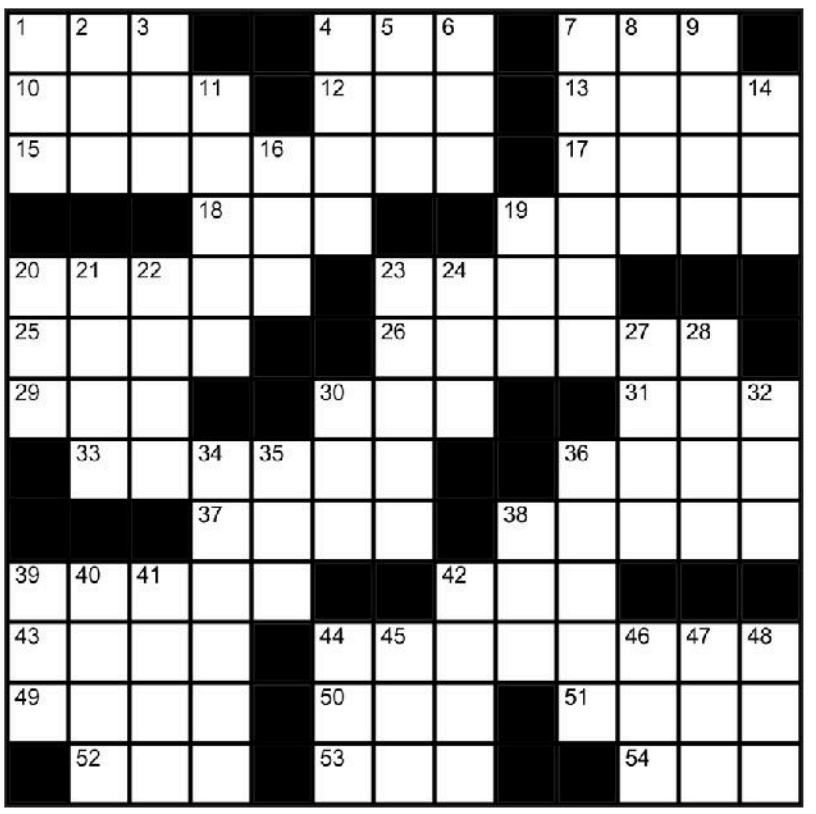
DOWN

1 Automatic Direction Finder
2 Old time classic movie Alam ___
3 Law as a system or in abstract
4 Tie securely
5 Even, contracted by a poet ?
6 Ground Earth Station
7 Government office
8 Blemish or stain
9 Moorage site
11 African nation
14 Natl. Stock Exchg.
16 Unfriendly
19 Short for 'manuscripts'
20 Highest in cards
21 Foolish or stupid person
22 Ever present as a prefix
23 Drug used to treat Parkinson's disease (1-4)
24 Latin trio
27 At the __ of the moment : in the nick of time?
28 Mystery writer___ Stanley Gardener
30 Baby goat
32 Ancient or aged
34 "Sal" and "Mal" go round for the animals
35 Maui garland
36 Frenchmen of yore?
38 ___ and rice : our staple diet ?
39 Department of Telecommunication
40 Organic compound
41 A long story of a family
42 One in Bonn
44 A mineral spring resort
45 Ugly old woman; witch
46 Cry of delight
47 Vane dir.
48 Swindle



SUDOKU

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		5						
8	1			7	4			
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			7	3			1	2
						7		
	7	4			5			3

Answer to previous puzzle

6	8	2	5	7	9	4	1	3
7	3	1	8	2	4	6	9	5
4	9	5	1	3	6	8	2	7
1	2	8	3	5	7	9	4	6
9	4	7	2	6	8	3	5	1
5	6	3	4	9	1	2	7	8
2	7	9	6	1	3	5	8	4
8	5	6	7	4	2	1	3	9
3	1	4	9	8	5	7	6	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

VOOCT ZHUWWCW UTC U LUEBAL'W OUWE;

EYC FBRRHC ZHUWW BW BEW KVEVTC.

TODAY'S CLUE: E EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: You can discover what your enemy fears most by observing the means he uses to frighten you.

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Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 12.15 pm, 2.15 pm
	(S-4)	4.40 pm
Chandu Champion (H)	(S-1)	4.15 pm, 7.05 pm, 10.05 pm
Love Li (K)	(S-2)	11 am, 7 pm
Munjya (H)	(S-2)	2.15 pm; (S-3) 10.40 am
Shivamma Yarehanchinala (K)	(S-2)	4.40 pm
Harom Hara (Te)	(S-2)	10.15 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	(S-3)	1.15 pm, 4.20 pm
Chef Chidambara (K)	(S-3)	7.20 pm
DNA (Ma)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Kotee (K)	(S-4)	10.10 am, 1.25 pm
		6.45 pm, 10 pm

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Chef Chidambara (K)	(S-1) 11.15 am; (S-4) 1.55 pm
Shivamma Yarehanchinala (K)	(S-1) 1.30 pm
Music Shop Murthy (Te)	(S-1) 3.45 pm
Harom Hara – The Revolt (Te)	(S-1) 6.15 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	(S-1) 9.15 pm; (S-3) 4.05, 6.45 pm
Inside Out (E-3D)	(S-2) 11 am; (S-3) 9.30 pm; (S-4) 7.20 pm
Kotee (K)	(S-2) 1 pm, 4.15 pm, 7.30 pm
	(S-4) 10.40 am, 9.20 pm
Love Li (K)	(S-3) 1 pm; (S-4) 4.10 pm

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		6 pm, 10.15 pm
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	:	10 am, 2.30 pm, 4.50 pm, 7.10 pm
Inside Out 2 (H-3D)	:	12.15 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	:	10 am, 12.50 pm 3.55 pm, 10.15 pm
Munjya (H)	:	10 am, 7 pm, 9.30 pm
Chandu Champion (H)	:	10.30 am, 1.30 pm, 4.30 pm
		7.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.10 am
Love Li (K)	:	12.45 pm, 6.45 pm
Chef Chidambara (K)	:	1.05 pm
Shivamma Yarehanchinnala (K)	:	3.35 pm
Bad Boys: Ride or Die (E)	:	4.20 pm
DNA (2024) (Ma)	:	7 pm
Kudi Haryane Val Di (Punjabi)	:	9.30 pm
Grrr... (Ma)	:	9.45 pm

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Love Li (K)	:	10 am, 2.45 pm
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	:	11.05 am, 1.30 pm, 4.35 pm, 7.25 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.05 am
Kotee (K)	:	11.30 am, 6.15 pm, 9.30 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	:	11.40 am, 6.10 pm, 9.45 pm
Chandu Champion (H)	:	1.30 pm, 3.10 pm, 7 pm, 10.05 pm
Thammudu (Te)	:	3.50 pm
Rockstar (H)	:	9.45 pm

EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 15)

- **Mysore Art Centre:** Group Art Show '3 FOLD' by K. Nahusha, K. Rakshith and B.R. Shailesh, Heritage House, near Kukkarahalli Lake, Saraswathipuram, **up to 7 pm.**
- **Sahaja Samrudha and Rotary Club of Mysore West:** Jackfruit Festival - Jackfruit lifting contest, **4 pm;** Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, **up to 8 pm.**
- **Hi Life Exhibition:** Expo-cum-Sale of latest stunning range of designer wear, jewellery, bridal wear, fashion accessories and more, Radisson Blu Plaza, **up to 8 pm.**
- **Impressionz:** 'Noor' Jewellery Collections expo-cum-sale, designed by Riitu Modi's GoldKarat, Hotel Southern Star, Vinoba Road, **up to 8.30 pm.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit and Kadali Mahila Vedike:** Mane Manege Sharaneyara Agamana, M.G. Sadanandaiah delivers lecture on 'Kadire Remmavve mattu Kadira Kayakada Kalavve,' at the residence of H.V. Basavaraju, No. 755, Sharana Kuteera, Hinkal, **5.30 pm.**
- **RAAGA Music Academy, Mysuru:** Music for Wellness - 98th Music Concert — Karnatak vocal concert by Vidu. Girija Ravishankar accompanied by Vid. Amogh Nadadur on violin, Vid. Pavan Madhav Masur on mridanga and Vid. Srinidhi R. Koundinya on ghata, Bidaram Krishnappa's Prasanna Seetharama Mandira, Narayana Shastry Road, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Karnatak Classical Music Concert, Vocal recital by Vid. N.H. Srihari Bhat accompanied by Vidu. Pruthvi Bhaskar on violin and Vid. Nandan Kashyap on mridanga, Srirama Mandira, Srirampet, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Muktidanananda speaks on 'Daiva Prajna Japa Karma Yajna – Spiritualising Work,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru Kendra and Infosys Foundation, Bengaluru:** 129th Cultural Outreach Programme, Hindustani Classical and Devotional Music concert, vocal recital by Vid. Siddhartha Belmannu, accompanied by Roopak Kallurkar on tabla and Bharat Hegde on harmonium, BVB premises, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Sri Krishna Gana Sabha:** Memorial Music Concert, Vocal recital by Chilkunda Sisters Vidu. Lakshmi Nagaraj and Vidu. Indu Nagaraj accompanied by Vid. Keshava Mohan Kumar on violin, Vid. Tumkur Ravishankar on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Koushik on ghata, Alwar Kala Bhavan, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**
- **Yogoda Satsanga Dhyana Kendra, Mysuru:** Expo of books and discourse in English on 'Balanced Life and Peace through Yoga & Meditation,' Kendra premises, CH-31, 7th Main Road, 5th Cross, Saraswathipuram, **6.30 pm.**
- **Avadhoota Datta Peetham:** 4k Projection Mapping on 45-ft tall Karya Siddhi Hanuman statue, Sri Ganapathy Sachidananda (SGS) Ashram, Dattanagar, Nanjangud Road, (3 Shows) **7.10 pm, 7.40 pm and 8.10 pm.** [Note: If rain or wind persists shows will be cancelled]

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 16)

- **Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre:** World Environment Month, drawing contest for middle and high school students, MBCT Auditorium, Akka Mahadevi Road, Vishweshwaranagar, **9.30 am.**
- **Mysore Art Centre:** Group Art Show '3 FOLD' by K. Nahusha, K. Rakshith and B.R. Shailesh, Heritage House, near Kukkarahalli Lake, Saraswathipuram, **10.30 am to 7 pm.**
- **Sahaja Samrudha and Rotary Club of Mysore West:** Jackfruit Festival - Drawing competition for children, **10.30 am;** Cooking competition, **12.30 pm;** Eating competition for women, **3 pm;** Eating competition for men, **4 pm;** Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, **10 am to 8 pm.**
- **Mysuru Sahitya Dasoha:** Releasing of books 'Tangaliyalli Walking' and 'Baduku Bimba' authored by Padma Anand, Kannada Book Authority Chairman Manasa inaugurates, senior science writer S. Ramprasad presides, senior scholar Dr. Kabbinale Vasantha Baradwaj releases books, Kannada Professor Dr. Mysore Krishnamurthy and Education Department Officer G. Venkatachala will speak about the books, artist Mohan Vamekar and senior writer & critic Kerodi M. Lolakshi chief guests, Mysuru Sahitya Dasoha Founder and Author Padma Anand will be present, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Sakhi Foundation and Surya Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Pratibha Puraskar presentation, World Environment Day celebrations, retd. Additional Secretary to the Government of India C.V. Gopinath inaugurates, Hunsur MLA G.D. Harish Gowda, former MLA S. Balaraju and Bharatiya Jain Sanghatan District Programme Officer Swaraj Jain chief guests, RamaGovinda Rangamandira, Ramakrishnanagar, **10.30 am.**
- **Yogoda Satsanga Dhyana Kendra:** Expo of books and discourse in Kannada on 'Balanced Life and Peace through Yoga & Meditation,' Kendra premises, CH-31, 7th Main Road, 5th Cross, Saraswathipuram, **11 am to 12 noon.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit and Kadali Mahila Vedike:** Mane Manege Sharaneyara Agamana, Dr. Sheela Kumari delivers lecture on 'Aidakki Lakkamma,' residence of Vasanthi Palaksha, #56, 5th Main Road, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sabarimala Sree Ayyappa Pooja Samithi - Sree Ayyappa Swamy and Sree Guruvayurappan Temple:** Prathishtapana Anniversary Celebrations, Prasada Shuddi of Sri Guruvayurappan, Astra Kalasha Pooja, Vaasthu Homam, Vaasthu Kalasha Pooja, Vaasthu Kalashabhishekam, Vaasthu Bali, Rakshogna Homam, Athazha Pooja, Temple premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **5.30 pm to 8.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Mysuru:** Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Sri Ramakrishna Vachanaveda,' Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**
- **Bamboo Melody Raagas:** Venu Gaana — Riyaaz Shaala (Workshop), 10 am; Hindustani Flute recital by Harshit Shankar, accompanied Taalanjay Thakur on tabla, Kalpa Kshetra, 581/1, 4th Stage, 1st Phase, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**

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	(S-4)	10.05 am
Shivamma Yarehanchinala (K)	(S-4)	4.40 pm
Rockstar (H)	(S-2)	12.45 pm
Munjya (H)	(S-1)	9 pm; (S-2) 10 am, 7.35 pm
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	(S-1)	1.20 pm, 4.20 pm, 6.40 pm
Inside Out 2 (H-3D)	(S-1)	11 am
Chandu Champion (H)	(S-3)	9.50 am, 1 pm, 4.10 pm
		7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	(S-4)	1.35 pm, 7.05 pm
Grrr (Ma)	(S-4)	10.10 pm

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		7.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Maharaja (Ta)	:	10.05 am, 4.40 pm, 10.30 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	10.20 am
Inside Out 2 (E-3D)	:	10.30 am, 5.40 pm, 8 pm
Inside Out 2 (H-3D)	:	12.50 pm
Kotee (K)	:	11 am, 2.30 pm, 6 pm
Love Li (K)	:	1.10 pm
Chef Chidambara (K)	:	3.10 pm
Shivamma Yarehanchinnala (K)	:	7.45 pm
Grrr... (Ma)	:	9.30 pm
Thalavan (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

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